MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether this community cannot be classed as a sub-division of the Brahmin community?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): It has been classed so in the Census Report.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know whether similar sub-divisions can be made among the Nair and Ezhava communities and treated for appointment?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether any separate turn is given to the Mahomedan community in regard to appointments?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: The official member did not say about 'turn'.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): The official member said that the Gouda Saraswat Brahmins come under the cadre of Brahmins. In view of that, I wish to know whether any separate turn is given to the Muslim community.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: That is not directly relevant.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know whether, in the classification of rotation given to the various communities, Mahomedan community is given a separate turn?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I did not hear of rotation in the answer. So, I disallow the question.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): One member asked about the Nair and the Ezhava community, so it is I asked about the Mahomedan community.

Registry of Lands to the K. D. H. P. Company.

85. ***MR. T. K. ALEXANDER** (*Kunnatnad I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the area of land registered to the K. D. H. P. Company;

(*b*) whether the whole area is under cultivation;

(*c*) the uncultivated area under the Concession;

(*d*) whether the Government realise any tax on the uncultivated area;

(*e*) whether there were representations made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly for the assessment of tax on the uncultivated area; and

(*f*) whether the Government have taken any action in the matter?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) (*a*) 1,37,160 acres 53 cents.

(*b*) The whole area is not under cultivation.

(*c*) 92,134 acres 69 cents.

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[Mr. K. George.]

(*d*) The Government do not realise tax for the uncultivated area.

(*e*) There was no representation made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly on this point.

(*f*) No.

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): May I know the extent of land cultivated by the K. D. H. P. Company in 1108?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The information is not available now.

MR. T. K. ALEXANDER (*Kunnatnad I*): In answer to part (*b*), may I know the date on which Government ascertained the extent of land brought under cultivation?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I claim notice.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): May I know whether any tax is levied for the uncultivated area?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No, the land was leased to the company under a contract.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): Have Government no right to resettle the contract?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Only when the next settlement comes can the question be taken up.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: This question whether Government have the right to resettle the contract does not arise.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): The answer given to me was that, under the contract with the Company, Government have no right to levy assessment upon uncultivated lands. I am asking whether the time for a resettlement has come and whether Government cannot levy a tax upon those lands.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): At present, Government and the Company have an agreement between them and the transactions are governed by that agreement. I am not sure whether the question can be reopened.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Kunnattur* cum *Pattanapuram*): Will the Government consider that?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The matter will be considered when resettlement is taken up.

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MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : ഈ കമ്പനിക്ക ഭൂമിപതിച്ചുകൊടുത്തതിൽ പ്രധാനമായ സൌജന്യവ്യവസ്ഥകളെന്തെല്ലാമാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is a long list, Sir.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : അവയിൽ പ്രധാനമായവ എന്തെല്ലാമാണ്?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is pubished in the Land Revenue Manual, Vol. II.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : ഏതാണ്ടെപ്പോഴാണ് ഇങ്ങനെ സ്ഥലം പതിച്ചുകൊടുത്തത്?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Several years ago.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : ഇവയിൽ കൃഷിയുപയുക്തമാക്കാത്തസ്ഥലങ്ങൾക്കു കരം ഈടാക്കാത്തതുകൊണ്ടു ഗവണ്മെന്റിനു എന്തുനഷ്ടം ഉണ്ടെന്നുപറയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Under the lease deed, no tax is levied on the uncultivated area. We cannot depart from the provisions of the contract.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : കൃഷിക്കുപയുക്തമാക്കുന്നസ്ഥലത്തിനു ഏക്കറിനു എന്തു കരം വയ്ക്കണമെന്നാണ് വ്യവസ്ഥ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : 8 as. per acre for all lands except grass lands and on grass lands 2 as. 3 p. per acre.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : ഇതിൽ ഗ്രാസ് ലാൻഡ് എത്രയുണ്ടെന്നു പറയുമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : About grass lands, I have no figures.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : കാൺടാക്കിലും പ്പെട്ടസ്ഥലം മുഴുവനും കൃഷിക്കുപയുക്തമാക്കാത്തതു കമ്പനിക്കാരുടെ അലസതകൊണ്ടല്ലേ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : No.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : പിന്നെ എന്തുകൊണ്ടാണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : They are developing tea estates and they are naturally cultivating as much tea as is in their interests to do.

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MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : ഒട്ടുവിൽ ഏതാണ്ടംസ്ഥലം കൃഷിക്കുപയുക്തമാക്കിയശ്ശേഷം ഏതാണ്ടിലാണെന്നുപറയാമോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether it is not in the power of Government to reopen the question of assessment in regard to uncultivated lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Reopening will mean modification of the agreement, and both parties to the contract must agree.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know whether the terms of the contract can be revised?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Neither party is debarred from reopening the question.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: It is only reasonable that both sides have to consider the question.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Was there any prior contract between the Government and the Company?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I believe there was a previous agreement which was revised. When and in what circumstances it was revised, I do not know. It took place some years ago.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know the difference in period when it was revised?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not know.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): May I know whether there is any penalty clause in the existing agreement?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Penalty for what?

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): If the company did not bring into cultivation lands not already cultivated within a specified period, a penalty is imposed for such default on the company.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*): Do Government consider it necessary in such agreements to insert a penalty clause?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: That position can be considered only in a fresh agreement and not in an agreement already entered into. So, that question does not arise. I disallow the question on another point as well. Mr. Narayana Pillai asks whether new terms cannot be inserted in the existing contract. When new terms are included, it means a new contract.

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MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether they have applied for further registry of lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether the Company has applied or not for a further registry of lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not know.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): May I know whether any application has been received from the Company for a further registry outside the Concession area?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: That does not arise. The question whether Government can register lands outside this area on the application of the Company is a different matter.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): What is the reason of Government in not enforcing the land of the Company being brought into cultivation?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: I disallow the question.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Rural*): May I know whether Government have registered any area to this Company outside the Concession area?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I claim notice.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether Government have reserved any area of land to themselves within this Concession area?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) I believe a certain area within the Concession has been given to Government for use.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether there is some area in Devicolam which is in the possession of Government?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): In Munnar?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): There is a small area in Munnar also.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Is there any facility for the citizens of Travancore to get some portion of these reserved lands?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not know.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Can the member promise to assign some lands for Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot make any such promise.

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MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know whether the Government realise the necessity of throwing open some lands for Travancoreans for the purpose of putting up buildings and staying there? Those reserved areas are more or less like a sanatorium.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Government have not received any application for that.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): Do they at least realise the necessity for reserving some area from this Concession area for Travancoreans?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): This question was never previously brought to the notice of Government.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): In answer to part (*d*), may I know whether Government give such concessions to any other companies conducted by the sons of the soil?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: The word 'other' makes some difficulty.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): What I want to know is whether such concessions have been given to any company conducted by the sons of the soil?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say whether any son of the soil applied for such a concession.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): From the answer given, may I take it that if any applications are received by Government, Government will extend the concession to them also?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Without knowing what sort of concessions they want, I cannot say in advance that any concession would be extended to them. The question will have to be decided on its merits.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): If the Company purposely did not bring cultivable portions into cultivation, have not the Government a right to levy tax?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No, not at present.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know how long will this agreement be in force?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) 999 years.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know whether anything else can be cultivated in this uncultivated area than tea?

DEPUTY PRESIDENT: Do you refer to the scientific possibility of cultivation or of the right of the Company?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): For all these details, the agreement has to be examined.

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*) : In answer to part (*e*), may I know whether attention of Government was drawn to this discussion and whether there were representations made in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly on the assessment of tax on the non-cultivated area?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not recollect all that.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): കൂടുതൽ സ്ഥലം കൃഷിചെയ്യുന്നുണ്ടോ എന്നറിയുന്നതിനു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു വല്ല ഏജൻസിയുമുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : കമ്മിനി റിപ്പോർട്ടുചെയ്യണമെന്നും റവന്യൂഓഫീസർമാർ പോയിനോക്കാമെന്നും ഏർപ്പാടുണ്ട്.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): റവന്യൂഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ പോയി നോക്കാമെന്നല്ലാതെ "നോക്കണം" എന്നു ഏർപ്പാടു ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Inome Tax Commissioner*): അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ.

MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): അടുത്തകാലത്തു കൂടുതൽ സ്ഥലം കൃഷിചെയ്തതായി റിപ്പോർട്ടു കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) ഇല്ല.

Qualification for admission to the Vaccination Class.

86. *MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : Have the Government made any concessions for the educationally backward communities in regard to the qualifications prescribed for admission to the Vaccination class?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : Exemption from the examination qualification prescribed for admission to the Vaccination class is being granted to candidates possessing sufficient knowledge in English and other subjects to understand the lectures in the class and sit for the examination.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : What is the minimum qualification prescribed for admission to the Vaccination class?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : E. S. L. C. Examination.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : May I know whether any preliminary examination is held for backward communities in the matter of admission?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : If candidates do not possess the minimum qualification, they will be tested to see whether they have sufficient knowledge of the language to be able to understand lectures given in classes.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : Is that test generally held?

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